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## RESALE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

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This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service for long distance telecommunication services provided by USP Communications, Inc. between points within the commonwealth of Kent. cky.

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# **Application of Tariff**

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#### SECTION 1 · TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Access Line- An arrangement which connects the Customer's telephone to an USP designated switching center or point of presence.

Authorization Code- A pre-defined series of numbers to be dialed by the Customer or End User upon access to the Company's system to notify the caller and validate the caller's authorization to use the services provided. The Customer is responsible for charges incurred through the use of his or her assigned Authorization Code.

Authorized User- A person, firm, corporation, or any other entity authorized by the Customer to utilize the Carrier's service.

Available Usage Balance- The amount of usage remaining on a Debit Account at any particular point in time. Each Debit Account has a: Initial Account Balance which is stated either in U.S. dollars or Call Units, depending upon the type of service. The Available Balance is depleted as services provided by the Company are ut lized by the Customer.

Calling Card- A billing convenience whereby the End User may bill the charges for a call to an approved local exchange company-issue Calling Card. The terms and conditions of the local exchange company shall apply to payment arrange nents.

Collect Billing- A billing arrangement whereby the originating caller may bill the charges for a call to the called party, provided the called party agrees to accept the charges.

Company or Carrier- USP Communications, Inc. unless otherwise clearly indicated by the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY EFFECTIVE

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## SECTION 1 - TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS, CON'T.

Customer or End User- The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders, cancels, amends or uses service and is responsible for payment of charges and compliance with the Company's tariff.

**Debit Account-** An account which consists of a pre-paid usage balance depleted on a real-time basis during each Debit Service call.

**Debit Card-** A card issued by the Company which provides the Customer with a Personal Account code and instructions for accessing the Carrier's network.

**Debit Service Call-** A service accessed via a "1-800" or other access code dialing sequence whereby the Customer or Authorized User dials all of the digits necessary to route a call. Network usage for each call is deducted from the available usage balance on a Company issued Debit Account.

**Dedicated Access**- A method of reaching the Company's services whereby the Customer is connected directly to the Company's Point of Presence without utilizing services of the local switched network.

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Equal Access- Where the local exchange company central office provides interconnection to interexchenge carriers with Feature Group D circuits. In such end offices, Customers presubscribe their telephone line(s) to their preferred interLATA carrier.

USP- Refers to USP Communications, Inc.

Initial Usage Balance- The amount of usage on a Debit Account upon issuance and before any depleting call activity.

LEC- Local Exchange Company.

Marks- A collective term to mean such items as trademarks, service marks, trade names and logos; copyrighted words, artwork, designs, pictures or images; or any other device or merchandise to which legal rights or ownership are held or reserved by an entity.

Operator Dialed Surcharge- A charge applying to calls made when the user dials "00" only or any valid company operator access code and requests that the operator dial the destination number.

Operator Station Call- A service wherety the caller places a non-Person to Person call with the assistance of an operator (live or automated).

**Person to Person Call-** A service whereby the person originating the call specifies a particular person to be reached, or a particular station, room number, department or office to be reached through a PBX attendant.

Personal Account Code- A numeric or a pha-numeric sequence unique to each Ravel Card or Debit Card.

P.S.C. KY- Public Service Commission of Kentucky.

Renewal- A method of replenishing a Debit Account's Available Usage Balance with additional minutes of usage as authorized and paid for by the Customer.

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Sponsor- A corporation or other legal entity that exclusively permits the use of its Marks to the Company for use with telephone cards or other merchandise, and contracts with the Company for the marketing of the services described herein/

**Special Access Origination/Termination**- Where access between the Customer and the interexchange carrier is provided on dedicated circuits. The cost of these dedicated circuits is billed by the access provider directly to the end user.

Switched Access Origination/Termination— Where access between the Customer and the interexchange carrier is provided on local exchange company Feature Group circuits and the connection to the Customer is a LEC-provided business or residential access line. The cost of switched Feature Group access is billed to the interexchange carrier.

V & H Coordinates- Geographic points which define the originating and terminating points of a call in mathematical terms so that the a rline mileage of the call may be determined. Call mileage is used for the purpose of rating calls.

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#### **SECTION 2 · RULES AND REGULATIONS**

# 2.1 Undertaking of the Company

USP services are furnished for in rastate communications originating at specified points within the state of Kentucky under the terms of this tariff. Intrastate service is offered in conjunction with interstate service.

The Company's service are provided on a monthly basis unless otherwise provided, and are available twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

#### 2.2 Limitations

- 2.2.1 Presubscribed service is offered in Equal Access areas only. Travel services is available from all areas.
- 2.2.2 Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and equipment and subject to the provisions of this tariff.
- 2.2.3 USP reserves the right to discontinue or limit service when necessitated by conditions beyond its control, or when the Customer is using service in violation of provisions of this tariff or of this tariff or of the law.

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## 2.2 Limitations, con't.

2.2.4 The Company does not undertake to transmit messages, and will not be liable for errors in transmission of the failure to establish connections.

#### 2.3 Use

Services provided under this tari "may be used for any lawful purpose for which the service is technically suited.

# 2.4 Liabilities of the Company

- 2.4.1 USP liability for damages arising from any failure of service shall not exceed an amount equivalent to the charge to the Customer for the period during which the failure occurs.
- 2.4.2 The Company shall not be liable for any claim or loss not directly caused by negligence of the Company.
- 2.4.3 USP shall not be liable for any claim, loss or refund as a result of loss or theft of Debit Cards of Personal Account codes issued for the use with the Company's services. Nor will the Company be liable for any claim, loss or refund on any unused balance remaining on a Debit Card provided to a Customer before or after the expiration date assigned to each Debit Account.

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## 2.5 Deposits and Advance Payments

The Company does not require deposits or advance payments.

#### 2.6 Taxes

All state and local taxes (i.e., gross receipts tax, sales tax, municipal utilities tax) are listed as separate line items and are not included in the quoted rates for those services billed in arrears. Taxes are included in the rate for all pre-paid services, such as the Debit Card.

## 2.7 Terminal Equipment

The Company's service may be used with or terminated in Customer-provided terminal communications systems, such as a telephone set, PBX or key system. Such terminal equipment shall be furnished and maintained at the expense of the Customer, except as otherwise provided. The Customer is responsible for all costs at his or her premises, including personal, wiring, electrical power, and the like, incurred in the use of the Company's service. When such terminal equipment is used, the equipment shall comply with the generally accepted minimum protective criteria standards of the telecommunications industry as endorsed by the Federal Communications Commission.

#### 2.8 Installation and Termination

Service is installed upon mutual agreement between the Customer and the Company.

The service agreement does not alter rates specified in this tariff.

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## 2.9 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services and equipment furnished to the Customer or to an Authorized User of the Customer by USP. All charges due by the Customer are payable to the Company or to the Company's authorized billing agent ( such as a local exchange telephone company or other authorized entity). Terms of payment shall be according to the rules and regulations of the billing agent and subject to the rules of regulatory agencies, including the P.S.C. Ky.

The Customer shall be responsible for all calls placed via the Debit Account as the result of the Customer's intentional or negligent disclosure of their Personal Account Code. Payments for service provided in association with Company-issued Debit Accounts must be received by the Company or its authorized agent prior to the activation of the Customer's Debit Account.

Any objections to billed charges must be reported to the Company or its billing agent within sixty days after receipt of bill. Contested charges will be handled in accordance with 807 KAR 5:006, Section 9 Adjustments to Customer's bills shall be made to the extent that circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such changes are appropriate. All invoices are due and payable within thirty (30) days from the date of invoice. All amounts owed after the due date are subject to late payment penalty charges of 1.5% per month. The penalty may be assessed only once on any bill rendered service.

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# 2.10 Cancellation by Customer

Service may be canceled by the Company promptly upon receipt of a cancellation request from the Customer. This request does not need to be in any particular form. Upon cancellation a final bill will be prepared. Customers will be informed to use access codes from other carriers in order to avoid additional charges by USP until a primary inetexchange carrier order is processed by the local exchange company.

#### 2.11 Interconnection

Service furnished by USP may be connected with the services or facilities of other carriers. Such service or facilities, if usec, are provided under the terms, rates and conditions of the other carrier. The Customer is responsible for all charges billed by other carriers for use in connection with USP service. Any special interface equipment or facilities necessary to achieve compatibility between carriers is the responsibility of the Customer.

# 2.12 Refusal or Discontinuance by Company

USP may refuse or discontinue service under the following conditions. Unless otherwise stated, the Customer will be given ten (10) days written notice and allowed a reasonable time to comply with any rule or remedy any deficiency.

- (a) For non-compliance with and/or violation of any State or municipal law, ordinance or regulation pertaining to telephone service.
- (b) For the use of telephone service for any other property or purpose other than that described in the application.
- (c) For failure to meet the Company's credit requirements.

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- (d) For neglect or refusal to provide reasonable access to the Company for the purpose of inspection and main enance of equipment owned by the Company.
- (e) For non-compliance with and/or violation of the Commission's regulations or the Company's rules and regulations on file with the Commission, provided ten (10) working days written natice is given before termination.
- (f) For non-payment of bills for telephone service. Suspension or termination of service shall not be made without ten (10) working days written notice to the Customer. Under no circumstances shall service be terminated before twenty (20) days after the mailing cate of the original unpaid bill.
- (g) Without notice in the event of Customer use equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect the Company's service to others. The Company shall notify the Customer immediately in writing and, if possible, orally of the reasons for the termination of refusal. Such notice shall be recorded by the Company and shall include the corrective action to be taken by the Customer or utility before service can be restored or provided.
- (h) Without notice in the event of tampering with the equipment furnished by the Company. The Company shall notify the Customer immediately in writing and, if possible, orally of the reasons for the termination of refusal. Such notice shall be recorded by the Company and shall include the corrective action to be taken by the Customer or utility before service can be restored or provided.

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- (i) Without notice in the event of unauthorized or fraudulent use of service. Within 24 hours after such terreination, the Company shall send written notification to the Customer of the reasons for termination and inform the Customer of his/her right to challenge the termination by filing a formal complaint with the Commission. Whenever service is discontinued for fraudulent use of service, the Company may, before restoring service, require the Customer to make, at his own expense, all changes in facilities or equipment necessary to eliminate illegal use and to pay an amount reasonably estimated as the loss in revenues resulting from such fraudulent use.
- (i) For failure of the Customer to make proper application for service.
- (k) For Customer's breach of contract for service between the Company and the Customer. The Company shall notify the Customer immediately in writing and, if possible, orally of the reasons for the termination of refusal. Such notice shall be recorded by the utility and shall include the corrective action to be taken by the Customer or utility before service can be restored or provided.
- (l) When necessary for the Company to comply with any order or request of any governmental authority naving jurisdiction.

# 2.13 Inspection, Testing and Adjustment

Upon reasonable notice, the faci ties provided by the Carrier shall be made available to the Carrier for tests and adjustments as may be deemed necessary by the Carrier for maintenance. No interruption allowance will be granted for the time during which such tests and adjustments are made when the interruption is less than twenty-four consecutive hours.

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#### 2.14 Tests, Pilots, Promotional Campaigns and Contests

The Carrier may conduct specia tests, pilot programs, waivers and promotions at its discretion to demonstrate the ease of use, quality of service and to promote the sale of its services. Such promotions will be filed with the P.S.C. Ky. in this Tariff on not less than thirty (30) days notice.

#### 2.15 Interruption of Service

Credit allowances for interruptions of service caused by service outages or deficiencies are limited to the initial minimum period call charges for re-establishing the interrupted call.

#### 2.16 **Bill Format**

USP's monthly bill to each Cust: mer consists of a billing summary of current charges, previous balance due and payments received and call detail pages. The bill includes the Company's name, address and toll-free telephone number.

#### 2.17 **Return Check Charge**

The Company reserves the right to assess a return check charge of \$15.00 whenever a check or draft presented for payment of service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written. This charge applies each time a check is returned to the Company by a bank for insufficient funds. In addition, the Company reserves the right to place the Available Usage Balance for the Customer's Debit Account on hold until the check or draft clears or is paid.

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#### 2.18 Toll-Free Numbers

- 2.18.1 The Company will make every effort to reserve "800/800" toll-free vanity numbers on behalf of Customers but makes no guarantee or warrantee that the requested "800/888" number(s) will be available or assigned to the Customer requesting the number.
- 2.18.2 If a Customer accumulates undisputed past-due charges, the Company reserves the right not to honor the Customer's request for a change in 800/888 service to another carrier (e.g., "porting" of the toll-free number), including a request for a Responsible Organization (Resp Org) change, until such time as all charges are paid in full.
- 2.18.3 800/888 numbers share: by more than one Customer, whereby individual customers are identified by a unique Personal Identification Number, may not be assigned or transferred for use with service provided by another carrier. Subject to the limitations provided in Section 2.18.2, the Company will only honor Customer requests for change in Resp Org or 800/888 service provider for the 800/888 numbers dedicated to the sole use of that single Customer.

#### 2.19 Other Rules

USP may temporarily suspend service without notice to the Customer by blocking traffic to certain cities or NXX exchanges, or by blocking calls using certain Personal Account Codes when the Company deems it necessary to take such action to prevent unlawful use of its service. USP will restore services as soon as service can be provided without undue risk.

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#### **SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**

#### 3.1 General

Service is offered to residential obusiness Customers. Presubscribed service is available from equal access originating end offices only. Travel service calls may be made from any area in the state.

## 3.2 Timing of Calls

- 3.2.1 Long distance usage charges are based on the actual usage of USP network. The Company will determine that a call has been established through industry standard answer detection methods, including hardware answer detection.
- 3.2.2 Chargeable time for a call ends upon disconnection by either party.
- 3.2.3 The minimum call duration, initial period and each incremental period used for billing purposes is specified by product in Section 3.4 of this tariff.
- 3.2.4 No charges apply for incomplete calls.
- 3.2.5 Should a call originate in one rate period and terminate in another rate period the entire call will be billed :y the rates in effect at the time of connection based on the originating rate period.

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#### 3.3 Calculation of Distance

Usage charges for all mileage sensitive products are based on the airline distance between the rate centers associated with the originating and terminating points of the call. The rate centers or serving central office of a call are determined by the NPAs (or Areas Codes) and exchanges (NXXs) of the originating and terminating points.

The distance between the originating and terminating points is calculated by using the "V" and "H" coordinates of the rate center or serving AT&T central offices as defined and listed in AT&T FCC Tariff No. 10 and AT&T P.S.C. Ky. Tariff No. 4 and on file with the Kentucky PSC in the following manner:

- Step 1 Obtain the "V" and "H' coordinates of the originating and the destination points as filed with the Kentucky PSC.
- Step 2 Obtain the difference between the "V" coordinates. Obtain the difference between the "H" coordinates.
- Step 3 Square the differences obtained in Step 2.
- Step 4 Add the squares of the "V" difference and "H" difference obtained in step 3.
- Step 5 Divide the sum of the square obtained in step 4 by ten (10). Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction results from the division.
- Step 6 Obtain the square root of the whole number obtained in step 5. Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction is obtained. This is the V&H mileage distance between the originating and terminating points of the call.

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## 3.4 Product Descriptions

USP offers outbound long distance, inbound 800, travel card, debit card, operator assisted and directory assistance services to its Customers. Rates for these services vary based on product type, call curation, and time of day.

#### 3.4.1 USP Residential Direct

USP Residential Direct is available to residential Customers for outbound calling via Customer-provided local exchange company provided switched access. The minimum USP Residential Direct call duration for billing purposes is one (1) minute with a iditional usage measured and billed in one (1) minute increments. Rates are not mileage sensitive. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

#### 3.4.2 USP Direct - Dedicated

Intrastate dedicated outhound service designed for business Customers. Calls are billed in six (6) second increments with eighteen (18) second minimum billing period. Calls originate from Customer-provided dedicated access lines. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

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#### 3.4.3 USP Switched 800 Service

USP Switched 800 Service is available to business and residential subscribers for incoming calls. Calls originate from any interstate or intrastate location over an 800 number and terminate to a Customer-provided residential or business switched access line. Call charges are billed to the Subscriber rather than to the originateing caller. Calls are billed in thirty (30) second increments with a minimum billing period of six (6) seconds. A monthly service charge applies per 800 number. Customers are billed on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

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#### 3.4.4 USP Dedicated 800 Service

USP Dedicated 800 Service is available to Subscribers for incoming calls. Calls originate from any interstate or intrastate location over an 800 number and terminate to a Customer provided dedicated access line. Call charges are billed to the subscriber rather than to the originating caller. Calls are billed in thirty (30) second increments with a minimum call duration for billing purposes of six (6) seconds. A monthly service charge applies per 800 number. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

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## 3.4 Product Descriptions, con't.

#### 3.4.5 USP Operator Assisted Service

The Company provides the Customer operator assisted services to aggregator locations on a per call service charge basis. In addition to the per call service charge, mileage-sensitive usage rates apply. The Company's operator services are accessible on a twenty-four (24) hour per day seven (7) days per week basis.

The use of the Company's operator services allows the Customer to select from the special call handling or billing arrangements specified within. Call rates and applicable service charges will be assessed to the call originator, the called party's telephone number based on the call type (i.e. operator dialed, collect, third party billed, credic card billed or Customer dialed credit card billed without the use of an operator's assistance) initiated by the call originator and the appropriate acknowledgment of other parties, where applicable.

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#### 3.4.6 **Travel Card Service**

USP Travel Card Service is available to business and residential Customers. Calls are originated by dialing a 1-800 access number, followed by the terminating telephone number and personal identification number. Calls may originate from standard residential, business, hotel or pay telephone access lines and may terminate to any interstate or intrastate location. Calls are billed in one minute and additional minute increments. The minimum call duration for billing purposes is one minute. Call charges include per minute usage charges and per call service charges which are subject to commitment discounts.

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#### 3.4.7 USP Debit Card Service - I

USP Debit Card Service is a Debit Card Service available to residential and business Subscribers for placing calls while away from home or office. Calls are originated by dialing the 800 access number printed on the card, followed by an account identification number and personal identification number. Debit Card accounts maintain a balance which is depleted on a real-time basis as calls are placed. Customers are notified of their remaining account balance at the beginning of each call Calls may originate from standard residential, business or pay telephone access lines and may terminate to any interstate or intrastate location. Calls are billed in one (1) minute increments. The minimum call duration for billing purposes is one (1) minute. USP Debit Card Service is available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week. The number of available cards is subject to technical limitations. Cards will be offered to Customers on a first come, first served basis.

#### A. Exclusions

- 1. Calls to 500, 700,800 and 900 numbers
- 2. Calls requiring the quotation of time and charges
- 3. Air to ground and High seas services

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## 3.4.7 USP Debit Card Service I, con't.

- B. Service Availability
  - 1. All cass must be charged against a USP Debit Card that has sufficient available balance.
  - 2. A Customer's call will be interrupted with an announcement when the balance is about to be depleted. Such announcement will occur one minute before the balance will be depleted, based on the terminating location of the call. The Customer will be requested to enter another valid Debit Card number in order to continue the call or can recharge their current card.
  - 3. Calls in progress will be terminated by the Company if the balance on the USP Debit Card is insufficient to continue the call and the Customer fails to recharge their card number or enters another valid USP Debit Card prior to termination.
  - 4. Payment for the USP Debit Card and any Available Usage in a Customer's Debit Account is non-refundable.

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## 3.4 Product Descriptions, con't.

## 3.4.8 USP Debit Card Service - Sponsor Program

The Debit Card Sponsor Program is offered to organizations or commercial entities for distribution to their members or patrons. The marketing vehicle and expiration period is selected by the Sponsor upon joint agreement between the Company and Sponsor. The Sponsor is responsible for obtaining all necessary permissions for the use of any trade mark, trade name, service mark or other image on the card. The sponsor may distribute the Carrier's debit card accounts at reduced rates or free of charge to end users for promotional purposes. At the option of the sponsor, these cards may be replenishable. The Company reserves the right to approve or reject any image and to specify the Customer information; language and use of the carrier's trade mark, trade name, service mark or other image on the card.

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## 3.4.9 Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance is available to USP Customers. Directory Assistance charge applies to each call to the Directory Assistance Bureau. Up to two requests may be made on each call to Directory Assistance. The Directory Assistance Charge applies to each call regardless of whether the Directory Assistance Bureau is able to furnish the requested telephone number.

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# **SECTION 4 - RATES**

#### 4.1 General

Each Customer is charged indiv dually for each call placed through the Carrier. Charges are computed on an airline mileage basis as described in Section 3.3 of this tariff.

Rates vary by mileage band, time of day, day of week, call duration and product type. Customers are billed based on their use of USP service.

If a Customer or Subscriber purchases more than one USP service, the cumulative monthly billing for all services will be used to determine the rate for each service.

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# 4.2 Rate Periods

The following rate periods are applicable to some products within this tariff.

RATE PERIOD	FROM	TIME APPLICABLE*	DAYS APPLICABLE
Day	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Mon-Fri.
Evening	5:00 PM	11:00 PM	Sun-Fri.
Weekend/Night	11:00 PM	8:00AM	All Days
	8:00 AM	11:00 PM	Saturdays
	8:00 At/	5:00 PM	Sundays

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#### 4.3 Service Rates

#### 4.3.1 USP Business & Residential Direct

The minimum USP Residential Direct call duration for billing purposes is one (1) minute with additional usage measured and billed in one (1) minute increments. Rates are not mileage sensitive. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

MINIMUM		PER MÍNUTE RATE		
MONTHLY BILL	ING *	Peak	Off-Peak	
\$0 - \$100.00		0.175	0.156	
\$100.01 - \$250.00		0.139	0.124	
\$250.01 +		0.125	0.112	

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## 4.3.2 USP Direct - Dedicated

Calls are billed in six (6) second increments with an eighteen (18) second minimum billing period. Calls criginate from Customer-provided dedicated access lines. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be bised the minimum usage should the estimated monthly billing not be met.

MINIMUM =	PER MINUTE RATE		
MONTHLY BILLING	Peak	Off-Peak	
\$0 - \$50.00	0.175	0.156	
\$50.01 - \$100.00	0.139	0.124	
\$100.01 +	0.125	0.112	

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#### 4.3 Service Rates

#### 4.3.3 USP Switched 800 Service

Calls are billed in thirty (30) second increments with a minimum billing period of six (6) seconds. A monthly service charge applies per 800 number. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated billing not be met.

MINIMUM		PER MINU	TE RATE	
MONTHLY BILLING	Pea	ık	Off-Peak	
	Initial Minute	Add'l Min.	Initial Min.	Add'l Minute
\$0 - \$1000.00	0.093	0.089	0.080	0.080
\$1000.01 - \$2500.00	0.088	0.084	0.075	0.075
\$2,500.01 +	0.079	0.076	0.068	0.068

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## 4.3.4 USP Dedicated 800 Service

Calls are billed in thirty (30) second increments with a minimum call duration for billing purposes of six (6) seconds. A monthly service charge applies per 800 number. Customers are billed based on a minimum monthly commitment. Should the Customer not meet the minimum monthly estimated usage, the Company and the Customer will determine whether this is the correct plan for the Customer. In any case, the Customer will not be billed the minimum usage should the estimated menthly billing not be met.

MI YIMUM: ** MONTELY BILLING	PER MINUTE RATE
\$0 - \$100.00	0.1820
\$100.01 - \$250.00	0.1720
\$250.01 +	0.1544

Monthly Service Charge: \$10.00

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## 4.3 Service Rates, con't.

## 4.3.5 USP Operator Assisted Service

The Company provides the Customer operator assisted services to aggregator locations on a per call service charge basis. In addition to the per call service charge, mileage-sensitive usage rates apply. The Company's operator services are accessible on a twenty-four (24) hour per day seven (7) days per week basis.

# Interstate/Intratstate/Intralata

	1st Minute		A	dditional Minu	ute
<u>Day</u>	Evening	<u>Night</u>	<u>Day</u>	Evening	Night
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
.30	.25	.20	.30	.25	.20
	.30 .30 .30 .30 .30 .30 .30	Day     Evening       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25       .30     .25	Day         Evening         Night           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20           .30         .25         .20	Day         Evening         Night         Day           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30           .30         .25         .20         .30	Day         Evening         Night         Day         Evening           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25           .30         .25         .20         .30         .25

## Service Charges and Surcharges Per Messige

	Customer Dialed	Operator Dialed
Calling Card	\$1.15	\$2.60
Collect	\$2.60	\$2.60*
Third Party	\$2.70	\$2.70*
Person-to-Person	\$5.65	\$5.65*

• \*An operator dialed surcharge of \$1.35 also applies, excluding those calls charged to a calling card.

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# 4.3.5 USP Operator Assisted Service, con't.

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## Interstate/Intrastate/Intralata

<u>Mileage</u>	1st Minute	Additional Minute
001 - 055	.40	.40
056 - 124	.40	.40
125 - 292	.40	.40
293 - 430	.40	.40
431 - 925	.40	.40
926 - 1910	.40	.40
1911 - 3000	.40	.40
3001 - 4250	.40	.40
4251 - 9999	.40	.40

## Service Charges and Surcharges Per Message

	Customer Dialed	Operator Dialed
Calling Card	\$1.15	\$2.60
Collect	\$2.60	\$2.60*
Third Party	\$2.70	\$2.70*
Person-to-Person	\$5.65	\$5.65*

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## 4.3.6 Travel Card Service

Calls are billed in one minute and additional minute increments. The minimum call duration for billing purposes is one minute. Call charges include per minute usage charges and per call service charges which are subject to commitment discounts.

Minicum Monthly Billing	Per Minute Rate
\$0 - \$2: 00	0.25
\$25.01 +	0.20

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## 4.3 Service Rates, con't.

#### 4.3.7 USP Debit Card Service - I

Calls are billed in one (1) minute increments. The minimum call duration for billing purposes is one (1) minute. USP Debit Card Service is available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week. The number of available cards is subject to technical limitations. Cards will be offered to Customers on a first come, first served basis.

Number of Cards	Per Minute Rate
501 +	0.25
201 - 500	0.35
76 - 200	0.40
51 - 75	0.45
26 - 50	0.50
6 - 25	0.55
1 - 5	0.60

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Surcharge: \$0.25/Per Call

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# 4.3.8 Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance charge applies to each call to the Directory Assistance Bureau. Up to two requests may be made on each call to Directory Assistance. The Directory Assistance charge applies to each call regardless of whether the Directory Assistance Bureau is able to furnish the requested telephone number.

Per Call Charge: \$.65

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